

**MINUTES OF THE  
Georgia State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language  
Pathology and Audiology**

**September 15, 2003**

The Georgia State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology met on Monday, September 15, 2003 at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia. The Board meeting was called to order with the following members present:

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Yvonne McNeil, Chair  
Kaye Williams Hill, Vice-Chair  
Al DeChicchis, Ph.D.  
Winn Hill

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Alan B. Whitehouse, M.D.

**STAFF PRESENT**

Lee Tracy, Executive Director  
Beverly Cobb, Applications Specialist  
Dena Kirkman, Board Secretary  
Janet Wray, Assistant Attorney General

**CALL TO ORDER** –Yvonne McNeil, Chair, called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion, K. Hill, W. Hill seconded, and the Board voted to enter into **Executive Session** in accordance with O.C.G.A. 43-1-2(k) and 43-1-19(h) to deliberate on applications and investigations. Voting in favor of the motion were McNeil and DeChicchis. The Board **concluded Executive Session** in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the public session.

**OPEN SESSION**

**MINUTES**

Motion DeChicchis, seconded K. Hill, and motion carried, to correct the August 18, 2003 minutes to include the name of the CEU Provider's courses that will be offered.

Motion K. Hill, seconded DeChicchis, and motion carried, to approve the minutes of the August 18, 2003 meeting as amended.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

The Board meeting date for November was changed to November 24, 2003 so that it would be possible to have a quorum present.

## **RULES REVISIONS DISCUSSION**

The following Rules were discussed for revision by the Board:

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|---------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Rule 609-6-.01(a)         | Application for Registration.  |
| Rule 609-6-.01(d)(2)      | Duties and Authorizations.     |
| Rule 609-6-.01(b)(2)(iii) | Board Receipt of Verification. |

## **APPLICATIONS**

Motion DeChicchis, seconded W. Hill, and motion carried, to accept the recommendations on applications.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

|                |        |
|----------------|--------|
| Judy Fleischer | Denied |
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## **ENDORSEMENT**

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|-------------------|----------|-------------------|----------|
| Stephanie Lewis   | Denied   | Trina Thompson    | Approved |
| Cynthia Hiestrand | Approved | Patricia Spratley | Approved |

## **ASHA**

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|------------------|----------|--------------------|----------|
| Erica Walker     | Approved | Lisa Coon          | Approved |
| Nora Swenson     | Approved | Sherry Starovasnik | Approved |
| Miranda Garrison | Approved | David Braatz       | Approved |
| Mary Exum        | Approved | Tanisa Wright      | Approved |

## **REINSTATMENT**

|                   |          |                        |          |
|-------------------|----------|------------------------|----------|
| Suzy Findley      | Approved | Mary Greene            | Approved |
| Eva Campbell      | Pending  | Debra Dwight           | Denied   |
| Julie Moody       | Approved | Magdalene Lima-Fiallos | Approved |
| Joni Warsonkar    | Approved | Janice Barnard         | Approved |
| Cornelia Macmurdo | Approved | Amy Struble            | Denied   |

## **EXAMS/PCE**

|                   |          |                  |          |
|-------------------|----------|------------------|----------|
| Kelly Guest       | Approved | Patricia Owens   | Approved |
| Kimberly Bryant   | Approved | Mary Erickson    | Approved |
| Kimberly Smith    | Approved | Starr Hume       | Approved |
| Mallory Hart      | Approved | Andrea Thompson  | Approved |
| Alice Ferland     | Approved | Samantha Dotzler | Approved |
| Stuart Schleuse   | Approved | Mary Williams    | Pending  |
| Ashley Conway     | Pending  | Tara Friedman    | Denied   |
| Christy Vickers   | Approved | Latricia Peck    | Approved |
| S. Michelle Brown | Pending  | Kimberly Struble | Approved |
| Dawn Zaffiro      | Pending  | Adina Rothbard   | Pending  |
| Allison Vittur    | Approved | Jami Bratvet     | Approved |
| Rhonda Rhoades    | Denied   | Tori Jefferson   | Approved |
| Laura Bullard     | Approved | Christi Budd     | Approved |

## **SPEECH AIDE**

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| Kelly Butterworth | Approved |
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## CEU PROVIDER

MIRACLE EAR-SONUS – Pending

The Patient-Centered Approach 6 CEU hrs September 10, 2003

## REACTIVATE LICENSE

Kimm Carr

Approved

## **COGNIZANT'S REPORT**

Reported on information received from the Hearing Aid Dealers and Dispensers Board concerning a Consent Order issued from that Board. Recommended that the SLPA Board send letter to the Hearing Aid Dispensers Board thanking them for addressing the case and to request continued updates on case.

- 10-04-0200004 No response was received after letter was mailed on July 31, 2002 requesting information on advertisement in Yellow Pages. Cognizant recommends sending an Investigator to hand deliver letter requesting information on advertisement in Yellow Pages and to discover if an audiologist is employed in the office.
- SLPA030025 Information regarding continuing education course taken in order to be in compliance with Consent Order was received. Recommended acceptance of CEU course. Recommended amendment of Consent Order format to include "Board approved coursework of continuing education in the area of ethics for health care providers".
- SLPA040005 Recommended to close case because the respondent was a LPC and to send it to the Composite Board.

## **INVESTIGATIONS**

Motion DeChicchis, seconded K. Hill, and motion carried to have letter sent to the Hearing Aid Dealers and Dispensers Board thanking them for the information regarding action taken by that Board and requesting continued updates on case.

- 10-04-0200004 Motion DeChicchis, seconded W. Hill, and motion carried to send Investigator to hand deliver copy of letter requesting information on advertisement in Yellow Pages and to discover if an audiologist is employed in office.
- SLPA030025 Motion DeChicchis, seconded W. Hill, and motion carried to accept the CEU ethics coursework received in compliance with Consent Order.
- SLPA040005 Motion DeChicchis, seconded W. Hill, and motion carried to close case and send it to the Composite Board.

### **ATTORNEY GENERAL'S REPORT**

Janet Wray, Board Attorney, reported on the cases in her office and presented 2 Consent Orders to be accepted by the Board.

Motion DeChicchis, seconded K. Hill and motion carried to accept signed Private Consent Order for M.L.F.

Motion DeChicchis, seconded K. Hill and motion carried to accept signed Private Consent Order for J.B.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, motion, and motion carried to adjourn the meeting at 3:10 p.m.

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Yvonne McNeill, Chair  
GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF  
EXAMINERS FOR SPEECH-  
LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY  
AND AUDIOLOGY

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